Pending Cases of Compassionate Appointments

3805. SHRI RAJU PARMAR:
SHRI ANIL SHARMA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of cases of compassionate appointments are pending with the P&T Department for more than three years adding to miseries of the dependents of the deceased Government employees;

(b) if so, the detail of the cases pending for more than one year;

(c) the number of vacancies under group 'C' category filled during the last three years and how many candidates were offered compassionate appointments against them; and

(d) by when the backlog of compassionate appointment of last three years would be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR):

Department of Posts

(a) 763 applications relating to appointment on compassionate grounds are pending for more than three years.

(b) 990 applications on compassionate ground are pending for more than one year.

(c) The number of vacancies under Group 'C' category filled during the last three years and the number of candidates offered compassionate appointments against them is as under:

Year	*Number of direct recruitment vacancies in Group 'C' category filled up*	*Number of candidates offered compassionate appointment in Group 'C'*
1999	1196	150
2000	1093	206
2001	928	178

(d) Instructions have been issued for settling all pending applications keeping in view guidelines of nodal Ministry in this regard.

Department of Telecommunications

(a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Computer Software Exports

3806. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:
SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether India's electronics and computer software exports have increased during the current year;

(b) if so, the precentage of increase as compared to export in the previous year; and

(c) what steps have been taken to further augment the export of these items during the coming years?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN): (a) Yes, Sir.